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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Sir:

Applicants appeal the primary examiner's decision of February 24, 2005 which finally rejected claims 1-20 of this application.

A timely response and extension of time are also being filed currently with this notice.

A fee of \$500 is believed to be due for this appeal. Please charge this fee to Winston & Strawn LLP deposit account no. 50-1814.

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